

Living in Hackney Scrutiny Commission

20th January 2020

Item 5 – Benefits of carnivals, and experiences of Hackney Carnival

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OUTLINE

This item will explore the benefits of carnivals, and the experiences of some of those who were involved with the Hackney Carnival.

A range of stakeholders will feed into this item.

Council Officers

Following the 2019 Carnival the Council commissioned an analysis of the social and economic benefits of Hackney Carnival. Officers will be in attendance to speak on these findings.

Officers have provided the papers enclosed in support of this item.

Guests expected:

- Polly Cziok, Director, Communications, Culture and Engagement
- Lucy McMenemy, Cultural Development Manager

Arts Council England

Arts Council England were set up in 1946 to champion and develop art and culture across the country. They support activities across the arts, museums and libraries. Representatives will be in attendance to speak and answer questions on their work with Hackney's Carnival and others.

Guests expected:

- Leila Jones, Senior Relationship Manger (London, Combined Arts) and lead on Carnival for the area.
- Justin Hunt, Relationship Manager

Carnival and Community Groups involved with Hackney Carnival

A number of carnival arts organisations and community groups involved with the Carnival have been asked to attend to talk about their work and experiences with Hackney Carnival.

Guests expected:

Carnival Groups

- Marva Antoine, representing Tropical Isles
- Bettina Fernandez and Richard Sleeman, representing Paracarnival

 Rosana Müller, representing Taru Arts Sindy Man, representing Jun Mo Generations

Community Groups

- Marie Kerrigan, representing Morningside Children's centre and school
- Helen Bryer, (Director of Take Part and Train), representing Access All Areas
- Lucia François, representing Compassionate Neighbours Project, St Joseph's Hospice

ACTION

Members are invited to hear opening comments from guests, before engaging in a discussion around the benefits of Hackney Carnival.